

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 509, As Amended in the Senate

BY COMMERCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW; AMENDING CHAPTER 13, TITLE 72, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 72-1336A, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 13, Title 72, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 72-1336A, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

72-1336A. YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS. (1) Subject to the availability of funds from public and private sources and in consultation with the workforce development council, the director shall develop and implement youth employment and job training programs to increase employment opportunities for Idaho's youth.

(2) The director shall establish eligibility criteria for participants. At a minimum participants shall be lawful residents of the United States and the state of Idaho and eligibility criteria shall not render employment and job training programs ineligible for federal funding.

(3) The director may apply for and accept grants or contributions of funds from any public or private source.

(4) To the extent practicable, the director shall enlist state and federal agencies, local governments, nonprofit organizations, private businesses, and any combination of such entities to act as sponsors for programs administered pursuant to this section. Selection of sponsors shall be based on criteria that include the availability of other resources on a matching basis, including contributions from private sources, other federal, state and local agencies, and moneys available through the federal workforce investment act of 1998, 29 U.S.C. section 2801, et seq., as amended.

(5) Programs developed and implemented under this section shall:

(a) Result in an increase in employment opportunities for youth that would not otherwise be available;

(b) Not result in the displacement or partial displacement of currently employed workers;

(c) Not impair existing contracts for services or result in the substitution of funds available under this section for other funds in connection with work that would otherwise be performed;

(d) Not substitute jobs that are assisted pursuant to this section for existing federally assisted jobs;

(e) Not employ any person when any other person is on layoff by an employer from the same or any substantially equivalent job in the same area; and

1 (f) Not be used to employ any person to fill a job opening created by the
2 act of an employer in laying off or terminating employment of any regu-
3 lar employee in anticipation of filling the vacancy by hiring a person
4 to be supported pursuant to this section.

5 (6) Participants in youth employment and job training programs under
6 this section shall not be employees of the state of Idaho entitled to person-
7 nel benefits under the state personnel system, chapter 53, title 67, Idaho
8 Code.

9 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
10 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after its
11 passage and approval.